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Excerpt from 15 April 1958 paper approved by the White House on GORONA:

Administration: CORONA is being carried out under the authorit of the Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Contral Intelligence Agency with the support and participation of the Mr. S. Air Houce. ARPA has authorized, and will exercise general technical supervision over, the development of the vehicle. Detailed supervision of vehicle development is being performed by the Air Force Ballistic Missile Division acting as agent for ARPA. The Ballistic Missile Division is responsible also for the provision of necessary ground facilities, which are in any case required for the WS-117L program. CIA is participating in supervision of the technical development, especially as applied to the actual reconnaissance equipment, is undertaking all procurement that must be handled covertly, and has general responsibility for cover and for the maintenance of security. In the operational phase actual massile launchings will be carried out at Cooke Air Force Base by trobuical staffs of the companies concerned. Tracking will be carried out from stations being astablished by the Ballistic Missile Division. Recovery will be accomplished by a Navy task surve. The line of command for these field activities of launching, tracking, and recovery will be through the Ballistic Missile Division. Subject to approval by the appropriate political authorities, the general schedule of launchings will be determined by the availability of vehicles and launching facilities. Specific timing within this schedule will be determined so far as possible on the basis of weather prevailing over target areas. For both cover and control purposes, weather will be reported through an already existing C'A handel and firing dates will be selected by the Central Intelligence Agency."